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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 7, between lines 16 and 17, insert the following:

AH -- The applicator tip according to the present invention may be a solid support having a variety of suitable shapes, including but not limited to conical, cylindrical, chisel or polygonal shapes. For example, the tip may be a tube, cannula, catheter, single or multi-lumen shape, or comprise a rolling ball, brush, cotton swab or similar tip. Preferably, the applicator tip is conical. The end having decreased circumference is preferably the end from which the material exits from the applicator tip and is fashioned in a manner to facilitate application of the material to any suitable substrate. The length of the applicator tip may also be varied depending on various application parameters, such as the proximity of the applicator container holding the polymerizable and/or cross-linkable material to the substrate to which the material is to be applied. The size of the tip end in which the material exits the tip may be varied depending on the application.